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Docket No.: AXIAMD.006A

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Applicant	:	Andrew H. Cragg et al.
App. No.	:	09/782,534
Filed	:	February 13, 2001
For	:	APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING A DISCECTOMY THROUGH A TRANS-SACRAL AXIAL BORE WITHIN THE VERTEBRAE OF THE SPINE
Examiner	:	Shurnaya B. Ali
Group Art Unit	:	3743

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 9, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following remarks regarding the above captioned application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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